TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 93 - HB 288

February 14, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires new students at any public higher education institution to present proof that they have received a vaccination against meningococcal disease prior to their enrollment unless they present a written statement from a physician certifying that the student is exempt from receiving the vaccine or a signed statement that the vaccine conflicts with their religious beliefs or practices. Prohibits parents or guardians from being prosecuted or being held civilly liable for failure to present such information for their minor student. New students at a private higher education institution shall return a waiver form to their institution indicating that the institution has provided information to them or their parent and guardian about the vaccine. Private higher education institutions shall not be required to purchase or provide the vaccine to students.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Health, the cost of the required vaccination will be borne by the student.
- Vaccination records for this vaccine will be included with other required materials in the student's file. Any increase in state expenditures for public higher education institutions to keep these records on file will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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